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EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities

AGENCY: Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

ACTION: Notice of Information Collection — Extension Without Change: Elementary-Secondary Staff Information Report (EEO-5).

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC or Commission) announces that it intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for a three-year extension of the Elementary-Secondary Staff Information Report (EEO-5). On July 2, 2012, the EEOC published a notice stating it was requesting OMB approval for a revision to the previously approved EEO-5 under the PRA's emergency processing procedures. 77 FR 39238 (July 2, 2012). At that time, EEOC requested approval to revise the race and ethnicity categories on the EEO-5 report to conform to OMB's *Standards for Maintaining, Collecting, and Presenting Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity*. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved the revised EEO-5 through February 2013. EEOC is now requesting a regular extension without change of the revised EEO-5.

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DATES: Written comments on this notice must be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION]. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-8(c), a public hearing concerning the EEO-5 will be held at a place and time to be announced. Persons wishing to present their views orally should notify the Commission of their desire to do so in writing no later than [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION]. The request to present views orally at a public hearing should include a written summary of the remarks to be offered.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to Bernadette Wilson, Acting Executive Officer, Executive Secretariat, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 131 M Street, NE, Washington, DC 20507. As a convenience to commenters, the Executive Secretariat will accept comments totaling six or fewer pages by facsimile ("FAX") machine. This limitation is necessary to assure access to the equipment. The telephone number of the fax receiver is (202) 663-4114. (This is not a toll-free number). Receipt of FAX transmittals will not be acknowledged, except that the sender may request confirmation of receipt by calling the Executive Secretariat staff at (202) 663-4070 (voice) or (202) 663-4074 (TTD). (These are not toll-free telephone numbers.) Instead of sending written comments to EEOC, you may submit comments and attachments electronically at http://www.regulations.gov, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the instructions online for submitting comments. All comments received through this portal will be posted without change, including any personal information you provide. Copies of comments submitted by the public to EEOC directly or through the Federal eRulemaking Portal will be available for review, by advance appointment only, at the Commission's library between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5 p.m. or can be reviewed at http://

<u>www.regulations.gov</u>. To schedule an appointment to inspect the comments at EEOC's library, contact the library staff at (202) 663-4630 (voice) or (202) 663-4641 (TTY). (These are not toll-free numbers.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ronald Edwards, Director, Program Research and Surveys Division, 131 M Street, NE, Room 4SW30F, Washington, DC 20507; (202) 663-4949 (voice) or (202) 663-7063 (TTY).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and OMB regulations <u>5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1)</u>, the Commission solicits public comment to enable it to:

- (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the Commission's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection

techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of

responses.

Overview of Information Collection

Collection Title: Elementary-Secondary Staff Information Report (EEO-5)

OMB-Number: 3046-0003

Frequency of Report: Biennial

Type of Respondent: Certain public elementary and secondary school districts

Description of Affected Public: Certain public elementary and secondary school districts

Number of Responses: 6,190

Estimated Burden Hours: 15,475

Cost to the Respondents: \$0

Federal Cost: \$190,000

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Number of Forms: 1

Form Number: EEOC Form 168A

Abstract: Section 709 (c) of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2000e-8(c), requires employers to make and keep records relevant to a determination of whether unlawful employment practices have been or are being committed, to preserve such records, and to produce reports as the Commission prescribes by regulation or order. Accordingly, the EEOC issued regulations prescribing the reporting requirements for elementary and secondary public school districts. The EEOC uses EEO-5 data to investigate charges of employment discrimination against elementary and secondary public school districts. The data also are used for research. The data are shared with the Department of Education (Office for Civil Rights) and the Department of Justice. Pursuant to Section 709(d) of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, EEO-5 data also are shared with state and local Fair Employment Practices Agencies (FEPAs).

When the EEO-5 form was previously approved by OMB in April 2012, it utilized the following race and ethnicity categories: White, Black, Hispanic, Asian or Pacific Islander, and American Indian or Alaska Native. OMB has recently approved use of a revised EEO-5 form through February 2013. The revised form utilizes the following race and ethnicity categories: Hispanic or Latino; White; Black or African American; Asian; Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander; American Indian or Alaska Native; and Two or More Races. EEOC is now requesting a regular extension without change of the revised EEO-5 Form.

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Burden Statement : The estimated number of respondents included in the biennial EEO-5 survey
is 6,190 public elementary and secondary school districts. The form is estimated to impose
15,475 burden hours biennially.
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For the Commission
Jacqueline A. Berrien
Chair
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